

Amendments to the Claims

A complete set of the existing claims are set forth below, with the amended claims showing deletions (~~strike-through~~) and insertions (underline).

1. (Original) An apparatus comprising:
a memory cell;
ground control circuitry coupled to the memory cell to programmably control a voltage at a first ground;
first circuitry coupled to the memory cell to provide a first voltage to the memory cell during a first period, the first voltage referenced to the first ground; and
second circuitry coupled to the memory cell to provide a second voltage to memory cell during a second period, the second voltage referenced to a second ground different from the first ground.
2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the ground control circuitry comprises a plurality of transistors coupled in parallel between the second ground and the first ground.
3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the plurality of transistors coupled in parallel comprise MOSFETs.
4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the plurality of transistors coupled in parallel comprise binary weighted transistors.
5. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first period comprises a period of non-access of the memory cell.

6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the second ground comprises a system ground.
7. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising a regulator circuit coupled to the ground control circuitry.
8. (Original) The apparatus of claim 7 wherein the regulator circuit comprises:
 - a comparator coupled to the first circuitry;
 - a reference voltage coupled to the comparator; and
 - a counter coupled to the comparator and the ground control circuitry.
9. (Original) The apparatus of claim 8 wherein a voltage divider provides the reference voltage.
- 10.-11. Cancelled, without prejudice.
12. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~An apparatus of claim 11 comprising:
 - a memory cell coupled to a supply voltage; and
 - a ground control circuitry coupled to the memory cell to programmably control a voltage at a ground, the ground control circuitry including a plurality of MOSFET devices wherein the plurality of MOSFET devices comprise that are binary weighted transistors.
- 13.-25. Cancelled, without prejudice.